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***Joint Meeting of the Psychopharmacologic Drugs Advisory Committee (PDAC)
and the Drug Safety and Risk Management Advisory Committee (DSaRM)***

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White Oak Conference Center, Silver Spring, Maryland

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QUESTIONS

1. **DISCUSSION:** Please discuss how you weigh the evidence contributed by the randomized controlled trial (RCT) meta-analyses, observational studies, and spontaneous case reports when evaluating the risk of serious neuropsychiatric adverse events in patients taking varenicline.
2. **VOTE:** Based on the data presented on the risk of serious neuropsychiatric adverse events with varenicline, what would you recommend?
 - A. Removal of the boxed warning statements regarding risk of serious neuropsychiatric adverse events
 - B. Modification of the language in the boxed warning
 - C. Retain the current boxed warning statements and reassess once the ongoing postmarketing randomized controlled trial designed to capture serious neuropsychiatric adverse events is completed

DISCUSSION: Please explain the rationale for your answer, and discuss any additional actions you think the Agency should take regarding the risk of serious neuropsychiatric adverse events with varenicline.